IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 1-4 and 8-15, amend claims 5, 7 and 16-17, and add new claims 18-20.

Claims 1-4 (canceled)

Claim 5 (currently amended)

5. A cake container which includes a base lying on a vertical container axis, said base having a cake-supporting base surface and having a largely cylindrical base peripheral wall centered on said container axis and extending around said cake-supporting base surface, said cake container also including a cover that has a greater height than said base and that has a largely cylindrical cover peripheral wall centered on said container axis, wherein:

said base peripheral wall has a plurality of radially outwardly-projecting dimples;

said cover peripheral wall has a plurality of dimple-receiving regions, said dimple-receiving regions each having a chimney about as wide as one of said dimples to receive a dimple in a chimney upper portion by the cover being lowered around the base while chimney lower ends initially lie directly over said dimples;

said dimple-receiving regions each having a dimple-receiving cavity connected to one of said chimney upper portions to receive one of said dimples when the cover is turned about said cover axis after the dimple has reached said chimney upper portion;

said base and said cover are each formed of a plastic sheet of a thickness on the order of 0.020 inch that has been deformed, and walls of said dimple-receiving ~~cavities~~ regions and said dimples each can deflect radially to assure that the dimples can be received in the dimple-receiving regions despite ~~high~~ tolerances in manufacture, and said cover is formed of a transparent plastic sheet, whereby to allow a person to view a dimple as it moves in a dimple-receiving

region.

Claim 6 (original)

6. The cake container described in claim 5, wherein:

said dimple-receiving cavities each have a transition location between its chimney upper portion and a dimple-holding cavity, said transition location forming a narrowing through which the corresponding dimple must pass to provide resistance to dimple movement between the dimple holding cavity and the chimney upper portion.

Claim 7 (currently amended)

7. The cake container described in claim ~~5~~ 6 wherein:

~~said plurality of dimples and dimple-receiving regions each includes at least four of each, with the angles between the centers of any two adjacent dimples and between any two adjacent dimple-receiving regions being no more than 90° about said axis.~~

said narrowing is in the radial depth of the transition location.

Claims 8-15 (canceled).

Claim 16 (currently amended)

16. A cake container for holding a cake or other pastry, which includes a base constructed of a formed plastic sheet and a cover constructed of a formed plastic sheet, and the base having an upper surface at a predetermined height that supports the cake, the cover and sheet each having a center lying on a vertical container axis and each having a peripheral portion where said cover and base are detachably connected, wherein:

said base is constructed with an upwardly-deformed projection that forms a star having at least four star points with sides that extend primarily radially, each

projection having a top surface lying at said predetermined height, each star point formed by a pair of primarily radially extending elongated star point side portion of said upwardly-deformed projection that are angled to converge towards each other at locations progressively further from said axis.

Claim 17 (currently amended)

17. The cake container described in claim 16 wherein:

said base has a circular upwardly-formed projection forming a circular band at said predetermined height and lying around and radially-outwardly spaced from said star.

Claim 18 (new)

18. A cake container for holding a cake or other pastry, which includes a base member of a formed first plastic sheet on which the pastry lies and a transparent cover member of a formed second plastic sheet that is transparent to allow a buyer to see the pastry, said base and cover being centered on a vertical axis, wherein:

a first of said members forms a plurality of dimples in its plastic sheet, each dimple having inner and outer surfaces with one surface forming a projection and the other surface forming a recess;

a second of said members forms a plurality of vertically extending hollow chimneys that each receives the projection of one of said dimples, said second member also forms dimple-receiving cavities each with a wall that prevents a dimple from moving in a vertical direction that would disconnect the members, each dimple constructed to pass from one of said chimneys into one of said dimple-receiving cavities when said cover is turned about said axis, the plastic sheets of said members being deflectable to enable close reception of each dimple in a dimple-receiving cavity by radial deflection of the members;

said second member forms a transition location between each chimney and

each corresponding dimple-receiving cavity, each transition location has a constriction to resist turning of said cover on said base to move one of said dimples through the constriction into one of said chimneys.

Claim 19 (new)

19. The cake container described in claim 18, wherein:

each of said dimple-receiving cavities has a maximum radial depth, and each of said transition locations has a smaller radial depth than the maximum radial depth of a dimple-receiving cavity.

Claim 20 (new)

20. A combination of a cake, a plate lying against the bottom of the cake, and a cake container which includes a base and cover, said cake, plate and container each centered on a vertical container axis, said base having a cake-supporting base surface on which said plate lies and having a base peripheral portion, said cover having a top wall with a periphery and having a largely cylindrical portion extending down from the periphery of said top wall to a cover bottom peripheral portion, said cover being latchable to said base by moving down said cover against said base and turning the cover, wherein said cover is formed of a transparent plastic sheet that has been deformed, wherein:

said plate has a label on a lower surface thereof and lying on said axis, and said base has a central recess of a diameter of about one inch and centered on said axis, said recess being depressed below said cake-supporting base surface and said label lying at the top of said recess.